







Beaver Creek Fire

July 21, 2016, 8:00 am

Closures & Advisories:

Closure orders have been issued for the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands and can be found at:

inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4797

Evacuation orders remain in place as issued by the Jackson Co. Sheriff's Office

Fire Size Today: 25,491

Containment: 5%

264 Firefighters:

3 crews, 22 engines, 1 dozer and 2 helicopters

Location:

24 miles north of Walden, Colorado

Fire is being managed on the Medicine Bow - Routt National Forests, BLM Kremmling Field Office, State of Colorado Lands, BLM Rawlins Field Office and Wyoming State Forestry Division

Started:

6/19/16 Cause is being actively investigated: Information or tips call U.S. Forest Service Officer Hannah Nadeau 307-343-2335

<u>Management</u>: Warder's Type 3 Incident Management Team

Summary:

Yesterday, the upper third of the Beaver Creek fire received one to two tenths of an inch of rain. The increase in humidity levels resulted in lower smoke and fire activity. The current cloud cover and potential for moisture is expected to continue through Friday, calming fire activity. However heat remains throughout the entire fire perimeter. Crews will use the moderated fire behavior today to better see the fire area and strategically plan for increased fire behavior when the current weather system changes.

This anticipated weather change is expected on Saturday, bringing drier weather and lower humidities. These conditions may again increase fire activity and smoke.

Firefighters will continue to patrol and work the fire near priority areas, including work around structures. This work will be primarily along the 600 Road, as well as the northeast and southeast flanks of the fire. Around structures, crews will put in additional handline and assess them for individual protection needs. "We hope to continue the success of structure protection and continue to engage the fire on our terms where we are able," said Casey Cheesbrough, incident commander trainee.

Additionally, the incident management team will monitor the smoke and air quality forecast for downwind communities. A haze of smoke may be present during the early morning and evening hours. A daily air quality summary can be found on InciWeb as well as the Beaver Creek Fire Facebook page.

As a reminder, area closures on US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands remain in effect and can be found on InciWeb. Businesses in the area remain open. Continue to use caution on public roads and drive with your lights on for safety.

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